

The Blue Letter: 4th December 2020



Dear Parents and Carers ,

Our first zoom parents evening went well with only a few minor technical issues! If you haven't signed up for an appointment, there are still a few times available. Zoom links and the list of appointment times will be emailed on Wednesday morning. Thank you for all your feedback to the teachers about how school has worked this term. Like you, the teachers miss being able to catch up at the start and the end of the day. We hope we manage to share as much as we can, given the difficulties of social distancing and facemasks etc. If you have questions, do speak to Mrs Dommett at the gate. If she can't answer your question, she will find out the answer and make sure someone gets back to you.

Squirrel class have a large number of unnamed jumpers and cardigans. Weather permitting, we will put these out along the wall where you line up to collect your child each afternoon next week. Please check and reclaim any that belong to your child. Please ensure that all items of clothing are labelled with your child's name. If you use a pen, this will need rewriting regularly.

If your child needs to remain at home while waiting for the result of a coronavirus test, work will be set on google classroom for the second day that they remain at home. This is inline with national expectations for remote education. Please let us know the result of a test as soon as you know it, positive or negative, even if this is over the weekend or an evening. Staff restrict their activities if a child from their class is waiting for a test result and we will be putting together a plan of action in case the result is positive. Knowing the result as soon as you know is really important for us too.

You might have heard from your child about their class plans for our mini Christmas production - that's if they are not keeping them top secret! We plan to film next Friday when we are in our Christmas jumpers. The resulting film will be shared via a pass worded YouTube link which you will be emailed. For safeguarding purposes we ask that this is not forwarded to others or shared on social media platforms. Thank you for your support with this.

The post box is now out on the edge of the playground. Please can all cards be posted by **Friday 11th December**. Please ask your children to wait and post their cards on the way to playtime, rather than hand them out to their friends.

Just a reminder that if you would like to book a school Christmas lunch for your child the deadline for booking is **Sunday 6th December**.

Key stage 2 Swimming

Given the current risks, we have decided to postpone swimming until we can be sure that we can undertake the lessons in a safe manner. We will review the situation during the Spring term and decide the best action to take. Thank you for your understanding.



Collective Worship

Next week we continue to have Advent as our theme.

We will learn how Ruth, King David, Isaiah and John the Baptist fit into the big picture of the bible and lead up to the nativity story.

Our bible verse continues to be Isaiah 11:1: "A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots."

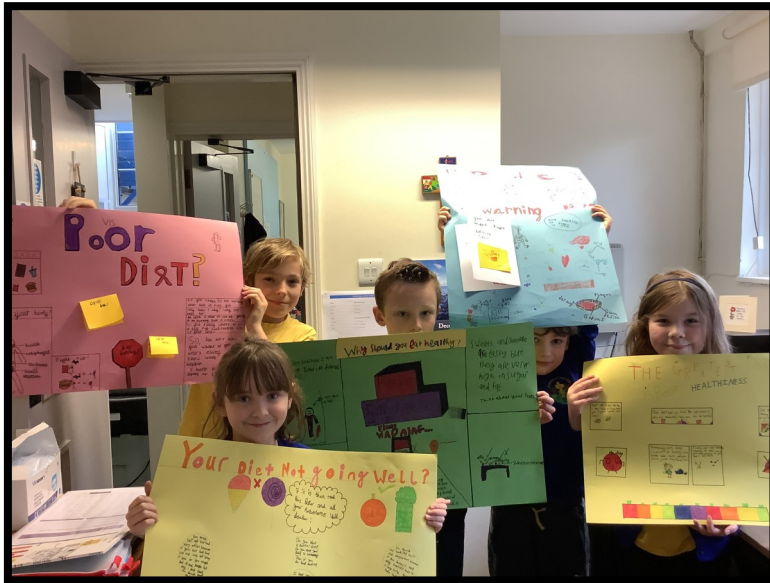


Year 1 and 2 Innovate

As part of their innovate task this week, the children have been making clothes suitable for either summer or winter weather. This morning they held a fashion show to show off their creations. There are some budding designers and models amongst them!



Fox Class Healthy Eating Posters



Mrs Dommett was pleased to have a visit from some children in Fox Class to her office this week with their amazing posters explaining how to be healthy.

Achievers

Well done to:

Alex, Emily, Xanthe, Giovanni, Freya and Mozamen from Squirrel Class



Bella and Fletcher from Fox class

Max, Iyla, Hazel, Nina, and Lacy-May from Owl Class

